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May 26, 2004

CERTIFIED RETURN RECEIPT 7099 3400 0016 8896 0167

Mr. Daniel O'Leary Crown Asphalt Ridge, LLC 2000 Second Avenue, Suite 780 WCB Detroit, Michigan 48226

Subject: Transfer of Notice of Intention, Large Mining Operations; Crown

Asphalt Ridge, LLC; AROC #1/Asphalt Ridge Mine; M/047/032;

Uintah County, Utah

Dear Mr. O'Leary:

On November 26, 2002, the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining received your application to transfer the Notice of Intention to Commence Large Mining Operations for the AROC #1/Asphalt Ridge Mine from Crown Asphalt Corporation to Crown Asphalt Ridge, LLC. Supplemental information was received July 23, 2003, and April 16 and 19, 2004. The Division completed a reassessment of the reclamation bond on September 2, 2003, and a replacement surety in the form of an irrevocable letter of credit in the amount of \$275,000 was received March 15, 2004. This letter of credit was issued by Comerica Bank.

The Division Director signed and executed the transfer document on May 18, 2004, which effectively transfers the responsibility of this mining operation and reclamation to Crown Asphalt Ridge, LLC. A copy of the executed transfer form is enclosed for your files. You are now the official party responsible for all mining and reclamation obligations for this project. Please be aware that you must satisfy the SITLA requirements in making this change in ownership as well. We will forward a copy of the executed transfer form along with this letter to them for their records.

We have also enclosed for your disposal the original 1997 Reclamation Contract. We have authorized Wells Fargo Bank to release the \$138,701 CD



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back to Crown Asphalt Ridge, LLC and deliver the funds to E. Blaine Rawson of Holme Roberts & Owen LLP.

By copy of this letter, the Division hereby officially releases Crown Asphalt Corporation from any further reclamation responsibilities at this site. Thank you for your help in finalizing this transaction. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this letter, please contact me at (801) 538-5286.

Sincerely,

D. Wayne Hedberg Permit Supervisor

Minerals Regulatory Program

DWH:PBB:jb

Enclosure: #1 - Executed Transfer form, #2 - RC & LOC

#3 – original 1997 RC

cc: Jay Mealey, Crown Asphalt Corp w/encl #1 & #3

John Blake, SITLA w/encl #1 & #2

E. Blaine Rawson, Holme, Roberts & Owen w/encl #1 & #2 O:\M047-Uintah\M0470032-Crown-AsphaltRidge\final\trans-05262004.doc